

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)**

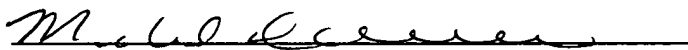
Applicant respectfully petitions pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time to file this response to the Office Action mailed March 28, 2001. The extended period is set to expire on August 28, 2001. A check in the amount of \$390.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for a two-month extension of time.

If there are any additional charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a telephone interview would in any way expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (408) 720-8300.

Respectfully submitted,

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